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Attorney Docket No.: LEANP001

Application No.: 09/482,154

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In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated in the following pages.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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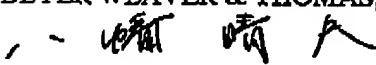
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
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- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is  
determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension  
be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time  
under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the  
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Respectfully submitted,  
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